The support provided by the Central Government includes assistance for equipment, weaponry, mobility, communication, training, police housing and buildings, forensic science and other infrastructure under the scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces, wherein annual plans of the various States are formed and implemented.

Special attention is being given on planning, implementation and monitoring of development schemes in naxalite affected areas. An Inter Ministerial Group (IMG) under Additional Secretary (Naxal Management) in the Ministry of Home Affairs oversees effective implementation of development schemes in naxalite affected areas for accelerated socio-economic development.

In the process of reviews and interactions with the State Governments concerned, it has been felt appropriate that an integrated approach focused on the relatively more affected areas would help in optimal utilization of resources and thereby give surer results and, in the process, help in developing replicable strategies for other areas. With this in view, 8 affected districts in 4 States, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Orissa, have been taken up by the State Governments for implementation of integrated action plans covering the security, operations and development aspects.

Persons involved in getting US visa through illegal means

2553. SHRI AMAR SINGH:
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a list of large number of persons including South Indian film actors who have helped a number of people to get United States (US) visas through illegal means have been submitted by United States consulate officials to Chennai Police for action;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) what action Government has taken against the persons involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD): (a) to (c) The Government of Tamil Nadu has intimated that the office of the United States (US) Consulate General, Chennai has given a report to the Commissioner of Police, Chennai on 11.3.2008 alleging that one Christal Jayaraj Palies has committed fraud by assisting at least three persons in applying illegally for US visas and attempting to smuggle one Sasikumar Kaniyan of Kerala into US for illegal purpose. After preliminary enquiries, a case has been registered by Chennai Police and a detailed investigation has been taken up. The US Consulate has furnished only the names of the applicants who had applied for visas and the Consulate has been requested to furnish copies of the visa applications for further probe. The said Christal Jayaraj Palies is absconding and a special Police team has been formed to trace him. It is not known at this stage whether there is involvement of any South Indian film actor in the case.

Progress of package for victims of 1984 Sikh riots

2554. SARDAR TARLOCHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress of the Government package announced for 1984 Sikh riots;